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PEACE TERMS FOR GERMANY.

In view of what has gone before, it is possible that the stand which is attributed to Chancellor Ebert, and Professor Dellbrück of Germany when they denounced the terms of the armistice and issued a warning to the allies that Germany should not be driven too hard in the making of the peace terms, may cause no surprise. It is possible that they think that the peace conference can be frightened into providing a bed of roses for Germany, that in view of the warning it will overlook all that Germany has done and that it will hasten to coddle that country in order to make it behave, but they ought to realize that they are following the wrong course, and that such an attitude simply informs the allies that now is the time to exact payment for the past and to guard well for the future. It is a defiant stand which doesn't indicate the proper sort of repentance which ought to be forthcoming from that country and its leaders.

Germany may denounce the terms of the armistice all that it likes, but it cannot fail to understand that no one is to blame for it but Germany. No other possible course was open at the time they were arranged, as has been subsequently shown by the fact that the terms have had to be increased. Germany has received thus far only what it merited by its conduct and in all probability a similar view will be taken relative to the peace terms. Germany well knows how it would have acted had it been victorious. It would not have been inclined to have shown as much leniency even as the allies have. That has been clearly shown by the way in which it waged war.

The terms of the peace conference are going to be drawn on the grounds of justice and if Germany wants to make threats now it might as well prepare to have them undergirded by further attention while they are being perfected. It doesn't help Germany's case one little bit to try to bully.

TAKING THE CENSUS.

The suggestion which has been made by Provost Marshal General Crowder that the next census of the country, which will be taken in 1920, be carried out along the plan that was followed in securing registrations of the men of the country for the selective draft has not been adopted, and there doesn't appear to be a very good prospect that it will be.

It can be readily understood that it would mean a great saving of time if everybody would appear at certain selected points on a given day and furnish the facts that are desired in taking the census. And not only time but considerable money might be saved. It would do away with the employment of a small army of enumerators and the statistics would be available in a shorter time, but there is much doubt about the people responding to it as they did the registration in which there was a penalty attached for failure to comply.

The matter of getting the names of those within a certain limit for military service is entirely different from that which surrounds the census. There are plenty of those who responded to the registration, not because they wanted to but because they had to, and it is a question whether they could be forced to do any such thing relative to the census. Certainly there would be plenty who would have too many other things to do to spend the time to visit a census booth and wait their turn to fill out a blank. Others of course would forget and those who do their best to dodge the census man anyway would find in this plan a most convenient help. Pride and honor might appeal to the big majority but it would be entirely ignored by a considerable number, though if it would work there is nothing really objectionable to the idea.

CONTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY

The renomination of John Skelton Williams by President Wilson for a term of five years as controller of the currency has brought to a focus again the opposition which has from time to time been manifested against him. This opposition is directed of course against the confirmation of the nomination by the senate, where inasmuch as the democrats are in control it seems improbable that he will not be returned to the office in spite of all that is attempted in an effort to prevent it.

When he was previously named there was no little opposition but the president apparently believes that his ability is such that he should be

retained in the office and there is the experience which he has had in such work to back that opinion up, but that, nevertheless, does not offset the enmities which Mrs. Williams has caused as the result of his personal attitude in and his conduct of the office. He has had a stormy political career and that is now bobbing up to cause him trouble.

The action against Controller Williams is taking shape in the form of a proposition put forth by Senator Weeks of Massachusetts to the effect that the office of controller of the currency be done away with. This is by no means a new suggestion since it was urged at the time the federal reserve bank law was passed. The idea in abolishing the place being to leave the duties of that office in the hands of the federal reserve board.

The suggestion failed of adoption at that time and it is a question whether it will meet with any better success now, with no change in the control of the senate.

THE WAR'S COST.

There are various estimates as to what the war has cost the world and what it has cost us. Most everyone has in one way or another realized that there is such a thing as war expenditure but it is being made plain from time to time that it is entirely too early to tell what the whole cost even to us is.

We have already put out stupendous sums and it is going to be necessary to spend much more but how much no one knows. For the most part a stop has been put to the manufacture of such war supplies as rifles, big guns, machine guns, ammunition, gas, airplanes and the like. From such contracts as have been filled and are to be completed it can be told pretty close what such things have cost. But they are not all the things that the government has spent money for in the prosecution of the war.

We must complete demobilization, there is the guarantee which the government has made to the wheat growers to take all they can raise at a fixed price up to a certain time on which it is figured the government will lose a billion and a quarter. There are steamships which have been built at war prices on which the suggestion is made that they be sold at a sacrifice. There are millions of dollars worth of other kinds of material which have been amassed for work across the water of different kinds under the expectation that the war would continue longer than it has. The suggestion is being made now that such material, including great quantities of building supplies, be placed on the market for the highest bidder to take in order to make it possible for greater activity in construction work. The argument is that the government has this material, has no use for it and therefore should dispose of it at a sacrifice.

It is thus quite evident that we know there has been a war but it is going to be some time before it is known what it has cost us.

THE SEATTLE TROUBLE.

The situation in Seattle is one which cannot fail to cause regret throughout the country. It shows up the labor unrest as nothing else could, but it is to be hoped that the measures which have been taken to cope with it and the improved conditions which are reported from there will result in an early adjustment of the situation.

The trouble appears to have been started by the shipyard workers, employees who have been getting the best kind of pay, including overtime for a considerable period. Their activity has been due to the war and yet they apparently overlook the fact that while they have been getting the best kind of wages, all out of proportion to that received by a large part of organized labor, there have been others who have been working for their country also, and they have not only received the smaller kind of pay but have been risking their lives for the benefit not only of the country but these very high paid civilians who are not satisfied with the high rates they have been getting and who are now unwilling to abide by the agreement which they made.

According to the director general of the federal government the shipyard workers were duty bound to continue under existing working arrangements for a matter of about two months from the time when they went out on a strike. It is surprising therefore that they should be able to swing such a large number of others into a sympathetic strike. The methods which have been adopted by the mayor of Seattle for the overcoming of the trouble, and these have apparently been made necessary in order to deal with an I. W. W. element, give promise of helping to straighten out the tangle, which of course cannot come too soon.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

It looks as if it was going to be a struggle to get down the raised price of yeast cakes.

It is to be hoped that the government forces were trying the cans more firmly than ever to the Spartans in Germany.

The attitude of those bolshevik leaders out in Seattle appears to be one of ruin, and the place for them is right back where they came from.

The man on the corner says: Just because one happens to be a strapping fellow doesn't justify the assumption that he is a harness maker or a school teacher.

There is no question but what it will be found that Connecticut troops played a valiant and important part in the great struggle when the whole story is told.

It is preposterous to think of Turkey having done so much fighting that it would want peace. Turkey is never satisfied unless engaged in slaughtering the innocent.

It must make the cotton raisers mad to think that they didn't favor the fixing of the price on cotton so as to get the benefit of the guaranteed price for some time to come.

Rhode Island may not admit it but it looks very much as if its senate had been guided by the action of the Connecticut upper house in regard to the prohibition amendment.

A reminder has been put out by the treasury department that the government is depending upon the sales of war savings stamps to meet its expenses. The war bill must certainly be paid.

As much as the interstate commerce commission has ruled that railroads must pay for eggs broken in transit, it will probably make more consideration for all cars from the switching crews.

WOMAN IN LIFE AND IN THE KITCHEN

SUGGESTIONS FOR THE HOUSEWIFE

Cold storage fish may be known by the lack of brightness in the eyes. Fresh fish have clear eyes, red gills, stiff fins, and the scales are shining.

Never use a metal teapot for making tea.

When breast meat is tender, chicken is sufficiently cooked.

Hot mutton taken before retiring will often produce sleep.

Hot vinegar will remove the paint stains from glass.

A very simple, wholesome dessert is boiled rice and stewed figs or prunes served together, with cream.

Cakes without butter require a quick oven; with butter, a moderate oven.

Very delicious sandwiches are made with dried pimiento and soft white bread cut out.

Strong ammonia water is excellent for removing iodine marks from the skin.

Two brushes and combs should be kept on every dressing table, so that a fresh one may be used every day.

To insure a light, crisp, flaky crust, use nothing but the best butter and good, fine flour.

All large fruits should be thrown into water as soon as pared, to prevent discoloration.

START IN TIME.

Making the best of one's self is a duty each girl owes to herself and there is no better place to begin than with the first morning dress. The right foot out of bed in the morning. One girl in particular, comes to mind who never had time to do anything; dressing to the last thing at night, was so poorly done that it had constantly to be done over again. As a matter of fact she would have had plenty of time to get ready if she had not constantly been in such a state of mental confusion that she frequently neglected the most important thing, and as a consequence had to get out of her way to untangle the mess in which she was constantly finding herself. From broken shoes and torn stockings, from the fact that she was not dressed to go to school, she was constantly being teased by her friends. The one mitigating thing about her is that she is usually so good about her own affairs that she seldom has to interfere with others, and even her untidy appearance at breakfast usually annoys none, for all the rest are apt to be finished and out of the room.

Not alone is this type of person annoying to herself, but to everyone who is unfortunate enough to be obliged to have anything to do with her. The one mitigating thing about her is that she is usually so good about her own affairs that she seldom has to interfere with others, and even her untidy appearance at breakfast usually annoys none, for all the rest are apt to be finished and out of the room.

A NEW AIR.

Hats of velvet that have edges suspiciously threadbare, after practically a season's wear, can be covered with beads the same color, or with chenille or wool embroidery. Worn spots can be covered with a bead or little tassel, and the hat is given a new look. A white wing attached at a piquant angle will give the hat an entirely new air. Sometimes a veil does the trick.

HEALTH AND BEAUTY.

An important factor in keeping well is to sleep well and warmly enough. The room itself should be full of fresh air, but the body should never be allowed to become chilled. On winter nights put a flannel or hot water bottle in the bed to warm it before you get in. Use bed socks if necessary. If you have been out in the cold take a drink of hot milk or cream and you will fall asleep much quicker.

Every one needs some sort of bath. It is the most of good breeding. If nothing else, it is necessary to stand a cold plunge bath, but if you stand in a tub of warm water and use a quick shower this will answer every purpose. If you cannot stand a cold bath, take a hot one. A bath taken in a warm room and followed by a brisk rub with a coarse bath towel will stir up the circulation wonderfully. Warm the bath tubs are best taken at bedtime.

Be very careful to take good care of the mouth and teeth, for here the bacteria, ready to develop into all kinds of maladies if they are allowed to remain, can be kept at bay by a thorough brushing of the teeth and then a rinsing of mouth and throat with pure, cold water containing a pinch of bicarbonate of soda or salt will insure cleanliness.

If it is possible, take ten or fifteen minutes for deep breathing and setting up exercises as soon as you are dressed. Put on a warm sweater and open the windows, then breathe deep and exercise vigorously. Every one knows what the setting up exercises have done for our soldiers and sailors.

LINEN TEA CLOTHS.

A linen tea cloth combined with a set crocheted on a quilt old mahogany table was recently the subject of comment and praise as an afternoon tea cloth. The hostess said: "My linen was small—just a roll or two—but it was home spun by my two grandmothers. Both these dear ladies loved to tell their early days. One had spun her linen in New England and the other in Old England, and I determined to enhance my heirlooms with my own handwork."

"This tea table cover is only a twelve inch square of linen in its center, but the lace is broad enough to make it seem of considerable size. The lace motif is the crown and scepter in honor of my British ancestry. Another cover I value is made from the ends of an old homespun sheet. I re-enforced it on the under side with fine stitching before I made it into a dinner cloth. It has some insects of flit and wherever it had to be cut or punched I strengthened the linen by running a little embroidery stitch around it. This made over linen has been re-created in old moments and is a treasure to me, and I know my daughters will appreciate it and add to it as I have done."

TO SLICE MUSH.

When allowing cornmeal mush to "set" to be fried afterward, pour into a large bowl, leaving powder dry or two, can, if need be, for a few days. The cornmeal will be easily removed and cut in nice round slices.

DICTATES OF FASHION.

Even the latest bathing suit claims the soft rolling collar to outline its neck.

Sashes and flower girlies are an important feature on the simpler evening gowns.

Navy blue taffeta and white organza unexpectedly combine in a charming sun hat.

Many of the suit skirts are slightly barrel in effect, and fasten at one side of the front.

Overcoats in colored chiffons are being noted.

Tucks and gathers are seen to take the place of smocking on the new tunics that call themselves "smock."

Flowered cretonne makes a waistcoat that would be a stunning addition to any suit.

An interesting new voile has an inch and a half stripe of silk decorating

SMOCKS FOR GIRLS.

The pretty little cotton smocks and frocks worn by Miss Eight-Year-Old are made smart with cross stitching or something in brightly contrasting wool. Pale green cotton crepe de chine, for example, is trimmed with stitches of rose wool. All kinds of wool dresses have Oriental effects done in cross-stitches on the pockets, collars or sash ends. Wool embroidery many times ornaments the frock, about the neck, as a substitute for the white collar worn formerly.

SOMETHING NEW.

When curving lace for the border of a center piece try this plan: Chain four stitches, then when you get back to this edge again make the treble in third stitch of four chain. In making a skirt with shirred top or any shirred yoke you will find it a great help to attach your quilting marker while stitching the shirring to yoke lining. There is no risk then that the stitching will not be straight and the marker can be adjusted to any width. The yoke lining keeps the shirring in shape.

SMALL POTATOES.

Here are two ways to use up the smallest potatoes:

Boil the amount needed with the skins on and when they are done put them in a colander and let the skins will stay in the colander and the potatoes will go through. Season as you do for mashed potatoes. These potatoes are cheap and save you much time.

The small ones, even when as small as a walnut, may be used as follows:

Peel, wash and dry; have a kettle of hard ready salt water as you would for cooking. Wash, and they are ready to serve. Very nice for dinner or supper.

CUTLERY NOTES.

Many a good housekeeper is careless in her treatment of her knives and forks. If she should happen to read these pointers she can't help but profit thereby.

Gather up the knives early in the dish-washing tray, wipe off the blades with crumpled paper, then stand the bunch in a pitcher of proper height, pour water over the blades. Be sure not to pour it over the handles—add a little soda water and let them stand till everything else is washed. Wash, and they are ready to serve. Very nice for dinner or supper.

DECORATIVE SCHEME.

A clever young woman who had to furnish several rooms on small means and wanted them to look attractive, if not brilliant, hit on a plan in this day of a price.

She had lived in a little rental house with only two bedrooms. She bought a large old fashioned house, and to her credit she had a room of extra rooms, but the furnishing block was the fact that she had almost no furniture for them and comparatively little for the kind of the room.

And this is what she said: She went to several second hand furniture stores and in them collected most of the necessities. Next she decided to go to a store where she could get a good deal of furniture for a small price. One was to be French blue and white, the other gray and old rose. Then armed with a paint brush, she started out to unify those furnishings.

You cannot imagine unless you ever saw the like done, how attractive the results were. For the blue room she had a very plain bed, but the drawers and a mirror to hang over it. A little stand, two common chairs and a rocker, a little writing desk and a table. The room was finished. The furniture (all but the bedstead, of course) blue and hung white muslin curtains with blue blue overhangings at the window.

RIBBON WORKS.

A good work bag can be made from two yards of Dresden ribbon six and one-half inches wide and one embroidery hoop. Cut two rounds of cardboard the size of the hoop for the bottoms of the "double-decker" bag. Pad with sheet cotton and cover with the ribbon.

Divide the remaining ribbon in halves and sew on both pieces. Then sew one to a cardboard round and fasten at the top of the outside rim of the embroidery hoop. Make the top of the bag the same way, save that the cardboard bottom is to be sewed to the inside of the embroidery ring, which has been covered by the silk ribbon.

CONCERNING WOMEN.

Two states, by act of their legislatures, Arkansas and Texas, have granted women the right to vote in the primaries.

Chinese girls wearing kimonos are being employed to take charge of the tea rooms in many of the larger New York hotels.

At the close of the war more than 5,000,000 British women were doing 1,701 different kinds of work previously followed by men.

Lina Bessette and Alice McFarland, factory inspectors in Kansas, plan to carry on a rigid campaign against industrial concerns in that state who persist in hiring child labor.

REMEMBER THIS

Put a silver spoon into the most delicate glass and boiling hot liquids will be poured into it without breaking it.

NEW TINWARE

New tinware will not rust if greased with a little fresh lard and baked in the oven before it is used.

RECIPES

Fig Custard—Wash a pound of figs and cover them with water to cook an hour, add the juice of a lemon, a few bits of peel, which may be re-

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